

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 412 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY MURT, D. COSTA AND NEILSON, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
FEBRUARY 8, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), entitled "An
2 act relating to dentistry; defining and providing for the
3 licensing and registration of dentists and dental hygienists,
4 and for the revocation and suspension of such licenses and
5 registrations, subject to appeal, and for their
6 reinstatement; defining the powers and duties of the State
7 Dental Council and Examining Board and the Department of
8 Public Instruction; providing penalties; and repealing
9 existing laws," further providing for dental technicians and
10 prescriptions.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 11.1(b) and (d) of the act of May 1, 1933
14 (P.L.216, No.76), known as The Dental Law, are amended to read:

15 Section 11.1. Dental Technicians; Prescriptions.--* * *

16 (b) Any dentist who uses the services of a dental technician
17 [in this State] shall furnish [him] the dental technician with a
18 written prescription, based upon a physical examination of the
19 patient's oral health conducted by the prescribing dentist, on
20 forms prescribed by the board, which shall contain: (1) the name
21 and address of the dental technician; (2) The patient's name or
22 identification number. If a number is used the patient's name

1 shall be written upon the duplicate copy of the prescription
2 retained by the dentist; (3) The date on which the prescription
3 was written; (4) A prescription of the work to be done, with
4 diagrams if necessary; (5) A specification of the type and
5 quality of materials to be used; (6) The signature of the
6 dentist and his license number.

7 The dental technician shall retain the original prescription,
8 and the dentist shall retain a duplicate copy thereof for
9 inspection by the board or its agent for a period of two years.

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11 (d) It shall be unlawful for any dental technician to
12 furnish services to any [dentist] person without first obtaining
13 a prescription therefor from [him] a dentist, or to fail to
14 retain the original prescription for two years, or to refuse to
15 allow the board or its agent to inspect his files.

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17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.